

25X1

CLASSIFICATION SECRET

25X1

25X1

REPORT NO.

CD NO.

COUNTRY East Germany

DATE DISTR. 3 February 1953

SUBJECT Detail of Interpreters to Pirna

NO. OF PAGES 1

DATE OF INFO.

NO. OF ENCLS.
(LISTED BELOW)

PLACE
ACQUIRED

SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. 25X1

DO NOT CIRCULATE

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES, WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 AND 794, OF THE U.S. CODE, AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO OR RECEIPT BY AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THE REPRODUCTION OF THIS FORM IS PROHIBITED.

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

25X1

1. About ten days ago the Ministry of the Interior, through the Central Committee of the Socialist Unity Party (SED), called for a group of highly qualified, 100 percent SED members as interpreters. The Central Committee, after exhaustive search, selected a number of interpreters from the services, such as the Information Office and the East German News Agency (ADN) and ordered them to Dresden. From there, after further inquiries, they were sent on to Pirna, where they again had to undergo further examination.

2. At the former mental hospital at Pirna, called the "Sonnenstein," there is a [redacted] which for a long time has been engaged in instructing Russians in the German language. The work in this connection is concerned mainly with military service manuals, specifications of weapons, training plans and production orders for equipment.

3. [redacted] the mission has to do with atomic weapons, chemical warfare material, and biological and bacteriological war matters. The premises are very strongly guarded. The pass authorizing entry is very much like that of the ADN, so much so that two women translators who were sent there from the ADN passed the barriers with their ADN passes for a week before the guard noticed it.

4. The detail at first was to be only for six weeks, and later for ten weeks, but in all probability it will last until Whitsuntide of 1953.

25X1

25X1

CLASSIFICATION **SECRET**

[illegible]